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1333 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
Attn: James W. Moorman  
Counsel for National Gypsum

Re: Administrative Order Index No. CERCLA-50103;  
Asbestos Dump Sites, Morris County, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Moorman:

This letter is in response to your request for an extension of time for submittal of an amended Remedial Investigation (RI) Report as required by my letter of November 24, 1987 commenting on the Draft RI Report submitted to EPA by Fred C. Hart Associates. Paragraph I.E of the above Order requires that the Draft RI Report shall be amended within 30 days of receipt of EPA comments requiring such an amendment or amendments. In your letter of December 8, 1987, you stated that the 30-day time period expires on December 30, 1987, and requested a ninety-day extension of time owing to the extensiveness of EPA's comments and the number of additional tasks which the comments appeared to require.

At the meeting held on December 17, 1987 at EPA offices in New York which you attended with representatives of Fred C. Hart, it was agreed that the Millington site shall be treated as a separate operable unit for purposes of the RI, and that the deadline for submission of an amended RI Report for that portion of the Asbestos Dump Sites shall be extended to February 29, 1988. It was also agreed that the deadline for submission of an amended RI Report for the so-called "satellite" sites, the Great Swamp, New Vernon Road, and White Bridge Road sites, will be held in abeyance pending a meeting tentatively planned for January 19, 1988 with the Department of Interior to discuss natural resources damage claims, expected to play a more significant role in the remediation of those sites than the Millington site.

In addition, although performance of the Feasibility Study (FS) follows completion of the RI under the Order, owing to the accelerated conduct of the RI/FS required under SARA it was agreed that an FS Workplan for the Millington site portion of the site shall be submitted with the amended RI Report also by February 29,

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1988. It was also agreed that, whether or not additional air sampling was to be performed, it would not affect the above time extension. Pursuant to a telephone conversation between you and Mr. Tucker of EPA's Office of Regional Counsel on December 22, 1987, it is EPA's understanding that Fred C. Hart will perform the air sampling required by EPA's comments of November 24, 1987 in accordance with any protocols required by EPA. The time extensions and other conditions contained in this letter shall constitute amendments to the above Order pursuant to Paragraph VIII.J of the Order and shall be fully enforceable under Section VI of the Order.

Please direct any questions concerning this letter to Mr. Tucker at (212) 264-4710.

Sincerely,

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